

Amendment No. 1 to SB2285

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2285

House Bill No. 1749*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

In interpreting a state statute or rule, a court presiding over the appeal of a judgment in a contested case shall not defer to a state agency's interpretation of the statute or rule and shall interpret the statute or rule de novo. After applying all customary tools of interpretation, the court shall resolve any remaining ambiguity against increased agency authority.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.